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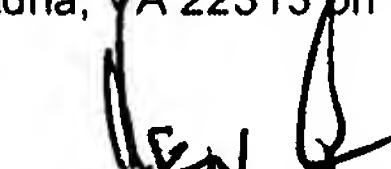
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RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION  
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DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. SECTION 1.131

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Dear Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action mailed April 5, 2006 ("Office Action", hereinafter). A Fee Transmittal and Credit Card Payment Form have been included herewith to respond to the Office Action, including a Request for Continued Examination, and an Extension for a Response within the Third Month. No other fee is believed to be occasioned by this filing of this paper. However, if it is determined that any other fee, including additional extension of time fees, must accompany this filing, please consider this our authorization to charge the above-mentioned credit card, therefore.

Claims 1-40<sup>1</sup> presently stand rejected. By the amendments herein, the four independent claims are being amended to further clarify the claimed invention, and to expedite prosecution, although without acquiescence in the grounds of the rejection, or prejudice to pursue at a later time. It is believed that the invention as presently claimed is novel and distinct from the cited patents, for reasons explained in the Remarks below.

Accordingly, please amend this application as shown herein. In view of the amendments and accompanying remarks, reconsideration of the present rejection is respectfully requested.

**Summary of Claims**

Pending: 1-40<sup>1</sup>

Amended: 10, 16, 31, and 38

Cancelled: None

Unchanged: 1-9, 11-15, 17-30, 32-37, and 39-40

New: None

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 12 of this paper.

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<sup>1</sup> In the Office Action summary, Applicants note that under "Disposition of Claims," the summary states: claims 1-38 are pending and claims 1-38 are rejected. Applicants respectfully note that claims 1-40 are actually pending in the application and assume claims 1-40 stand rejected.